

AMENDMENTS TO LB853

(Amendments to E & R amendments, ER162)

Introduced by Howard

1 1. Insert the following new section:

2 Sec. 45. To facilitate consistency in training all case  
3 managers and allow for Title IV-E reimbursement for case manager  
4 training under Title IV-E of the federal Social Security Act, as  
5 amended, the same program for initial training of case managers  
6 shall be utilized for all case managers, whether they are employed  
7 by the department or by an organization under contract with the  
8 department. The initial training of all case managers shall be  
9 provided by the department or one or more organizations under  
10 contract with the department. The department shall create a formal  
11 system for measuring and evaluating the quality of such training.  
12 All case managers shall complete a formal assessment process  
13 after initial training to demonstrate competency prior to assuming  
14 responsibilities as a case manager. The training curriculum for  
15 case managers shall include, but not be limited to: (a) An  
16 understanding of the benefits of utilizing evidence-based and  
17 promising casework practices; (b) the importance of guaranteeing  
18 service providers' fidelity to evidence-based and promising  
19 casework practices; and (c) a commitment to evidence-based and  
20 promising family-centered casework practices that utilize a least  
21 restrictive approach for children and families.

22 2. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.